HISTORICAL SKETCH

OF THE

MONTREAL PROTESTANT ORPHAN ASYLUM,

FROM ITS

FOUNDATION ON THE 16TH FEB., 1822, TO THE PRESENT DAY.

COMPILED FROM ITS

MINUTES AND ANNUAL REPORTS,

AND READ BEFORE THE CORPORATION AT ITS ANNUAL MEETING ON JAN. 12, 1860.

WITH AN APPENDIX,

CONTAINING A LIST OF THE OFFICE BEARERS, CONTRIBUTORS TO THE BUILDING, LAND AND ENDOWMENT FUNDS, ITS ACT OF INCORPORATION, BY-LAWS, ETC.

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OF THE

Montreal Protestant Orphan Asylum

FOR THE YEAR 1860.

FIRST DIRECTRESS.
MRS. ROSS.

SECOND DIRECTRESS.
MRS. MOFFATT.

TREASURER.
MRS. TYLEE.

SECRETARY.
MRS. McCORD.

COMMITTEE OF MANAGEMENT.

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MISS BLACKWOOD,
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MRS. W. H. DAVIES,
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MISS MOFFATT,
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R. P. HOWARD, Esq., M.D.

SOLICITOR.
GEORGE MACRAE, Esq.

Superintendent and Matron.....MR. AND MRS. CRIBB.
Preceptress .....MISS WALLING.

MONTREAL

Protestant Orphan Asylum.

1860.

At the Monthly Meeting of this Corporation, held on the 6th day of December last, it was Resolved, that in place of the usual Annual Report, the Secretary be requested to draw up from the Minutes of the Society, a short account of its origin, progress, and object (from its foundation), as well for the information of the more recently received members, as with a view of having a ready and reliable record with which to furnish strangers and others who from time to time may visit the Asylum and make inquiries into its government and status; and in compliance with this resolution the Secretary has now the honor of submitting the following

HISTORICAL SKETCH OF THE CHARITY.

Upon the dissolution in February, 1822, of a charitable association in this city called the Female Benevolent Society, the orphan children then under their charge were consigned to the care of the Protestant Congregations of Montreal, whereupon a meeting of ladies was called, and on the 16th day of December of the same year a new Society was formed, under the name of "The Society of the Montreal Protestant Orphan Asylum," and a Constitution and By.Laws agreed upon for its future government.

At this distance of time from its organization it cannot but be interesting to record the names of those Ladies who piously undertook this good work, many of whom have long since gone to their reward. We find in the original minutes the following Founders of this Charity, enrolled under the auspices of the Rector of Christ Church, the Rev. John Bethune, D.D., the present Very Reverend the Dean of Montreal, and the late Rev. Henry Esson, DD., pastor of St. Gabriel Street Church, which rev. gentlemen framed its Constitution:—

Mrs. Aird, Mrs. Andrews, Mrs and Miss Armour, Mrs. Bancroft, Mrs. Barrett, Mrs. Bethune, Mrs. Bleakley, Miss Brown, Mrs. Caldwell, Mrs. Corse, Mrs. Cutter, Mrs. and Miss Day, the Misses Ermatinger, Mrs. C. Grant (the present Dowager Baroness of Longueuil), Miss Francis Hays (now Mrs. Cohen of Baltimore, U. S.), Mrs. Hedge, Mrs. Henshaw, Mrs. N. Jones, Miss Kerr, Mrs. Langan, the Misses McDowall, Mrs. McNider, Miss Richardson, Mrs. Jane Davidson Ross, Mrs. Joseph Ross, Miss Sweeney, Mrs. J. Try, Mrs. and Miss Walker, Miss Walker, Mrs. and Miss Wilson, Mrs. Whittemore.

The following ladies were unanimously elected Office-Bearers, at the First Annual Meeting, held on the 6th January, 1823:—

1st Directress,.....Mrs. Aird.
2nd Directress, ...Baroness of Longueuil.
Secretary,.....Mrs. Barrett.
Treasurer,.....Mrs. Jane Davidson Ross.*

COMMITTEE OF MANAGEMENT.

Miss Adams, Miss Armour, Mrs. Bancroft, Mrs. Babuty, Mrs. Bethune, Mrs. Brown, Mrs. Caldwell, Mrs. Day, Mrs. Easton, Miss Anne Ermatinger, Miss Francis Hays, Mrs. Hedge, Mrs. N. Jones, Mrs. Langan, Mrs. N. Mower, Mrs. Jos. Ross, Miss Sweeney, Mrs. Try, Miss Walker.

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* We may be permitted here to mention that Mrs. Ross discharged the duties of Treasurer until the year 1851, when she was unanimously requested to assume the Office of 1st Directress, and her daughter Mrs. Tylee, was elected Treasurer.

The "Female Benevolent Society" (whose place this "Asylum" occupies) had been originally formed with a view of affording temporary relief to the sick and destitute emigrants, from time to time landed upon our shores, and among whom were found many helpless orphans. To provide a home for these little wanderers, bring them up in the knowledge of the Lord, and secure their future temporal welfare, became the duty of these benevolent Ladies, and from that day to the present their unceasing care and attention has been bestowed upon this sacred object.

Children of both sexes, having lost both parents, are eligible for admission; nor is this Charity limited to the children of civilians only, those also of soldiers have been invariably admitted on application, and many of the latter have, and some still do receive the benefits of this Institution.

1823.—The first building occupied as an Asylum was situate in St. Lewis Street, and a matron, Miss Langhorne (Mrs. Hill), was engaged to take charge of the children.

Among other kind friends who came forward to help in the launching of the infant bark, the late Wm. Peddie, Esq., a merchant of this city, and the proprietor of a cabinet of valuable paintings, generously offered them for exhibition, the proceeds of which, amounting to £25, were handed to the Society, and formed a valuable and timely aid.

The next important help came from the clergy of the city, all of whom undertook to preach charity sermons for its benefit, and the sum of £62 3s. 0d., collected after a sermon preached by the Rev. Brooke Bridges Stevens (Chaplain to the Forces and Evening Lecturer of Christ Church), was placed in the hands of the Treasurer.

It is due to the kindness of the 2nd Directress above-named to mention that a complete suit of clothes for each child was provided by her to enable them to appear in Church on the occasion referred to.

The following donations were received from Mrs. Babuty, £6; and from the Hon. Horatio Gates, £8 3s. 9d.

Expenditure this year, £211 10s. 4d.

1824.—Expenditure this year, £233 16s.

1825.—On the 4th of June, at the dedication of the Masonic Hall by the Honorable and Right Worshipful Wm. McGillivray, and the Masonic fraternity, after an oration by the Rev. B. B. Stevens, the large sum of £50 was collected.

The children, in number 35, attended, and added much to the interest felt by all for their welfare.

On the 22nd October, after a sermon by the Rev. Dr. Bethune, a collection amounting to £22 was added to the Treasury.

A legacy was received from the estate of the late Mrs. Gray (Sheriff), amounting to £10; from C. Pemberton, Esq., lecturer, £6; and from "A Benevolent Society" on its dissolution, £6; also from Gentlemen Amateurs, £47.

On the 16th January of this year, after a charity sermon preached by the Rev. H. Esson, D.D., the sum of £36 was realized, and paid to the Treasurer.

Expenditure of this year, £243 17s. 5d.

1826.—This year produced the following donations, from the Hon. P. McGill, £30 12s. 6d.; from a charity sermon preached in Christ Church, £30; from Capt. Parker, £5, and from Mrs. Moffatt, £8.

Expenditure this year, £294 12s. 5d.

1827.—The Society received this year, after a sermon preached by the Rev. Mr. Morgill, £54 3s. 4d., and after another sermon preached by the Rev. Mr. Alder, £13 4s. 4d; from Mrs. Dunlop, £5.

Expenditure, £266 6s. 4d.

1828.—There were received this year the following donations: from the Baroness of Longueuil, in two payments, the sum of £12 15s.; by the hands of F. C. T. Arnoldi, Esq., M.D., a sum of £56 15s., being a collection made through his exertions among his friends. Also from a charity sermon, £46 11s.; and from a forensic debate, £9 5s.

Expenditure, £254 12s. 2d.

1829.—This year, at the annual meeting, the Baroness of Longueuil was elected 1st Directress in the room of Mrs. Aird, who resigned in consequence of declining health. This venerable and pious lady, notwithstanding her resignation, never ceased until her death to manifest her interest in the Charity. In the month of June following, the former lady (being about to proceed to Europe) also resigned, to the deep regret of the Ladies. The Baroness was ever a devoted friend and benefactress of the Institution.

There were received from the Ladies' Charity Bazaar, £110 10s.; from Canadian Amateurs, £13 12s. 6d.; from Mr. Luckin and the English Amateurs, £25; from the Amateurs of the 79th Highlanders, £31 15s., and finally a legacy from the estate of Mrs. Bleakley of £25.

Annual Expenditure, £246 17s. 1d.

1830.—Mrs. Leslie was elected 1st Directress in the place of the Baroness of Longueuil. This year died Fred. Wm. Ermatinger, Esq., Sheriff of the District of Montreal, whose family were always among the best friends of the Society, and a legacy of £50 left by him was added to the funds.

Donations were received from the Garrison Amateurs, £21 4s.; from the Gentlemen Amateurs, £50 2s. 10d.

This year's expenditure amounted to £229 17s. 4d.

1831.—Received from the Ladies' Bazaar, £108 15s. 7d.; Handel and Haydn Society, £12 10s. 7d.

Expenditure this year, £230 18s. 8d.

1832.—The Society pursued the quiet and even tenor of its way until the summer of 1832, when it pleased the Almighty to afflict this country with its first and most awful visitation of Asiatic Cholera. The ladies cheerfully came forward and offered to receive the orphans from the several Protestant Congregations of the city. Generous friends also appeared, and provided them with the necessary means to meet this unexpected event.

The Friendless Emigrant Society, by the hands of the Hon. P.

McGill, placed £50 at their disposal; whereupon apartments in an adjoining building were engaged for the accommodation of the newly-received children.

Mrs. Michaels, widow of the late Myer Michaels, Esq., of this city, appears also among those who came to their assistance, and benevolently placed £50 in the hands of the Treasurer.

The following numerous benefactions were also received:—From Hon. S. Gerrard, £10; from Mrs. Richardson and family, £10; from Mrs. Capt. Bolton, R. E., £5; Mrs. Gates, £5; Mrs. B. Holmes, £12 10s. Collected by Mr. Wilson, £5 1s. 9d.; by Mr. Bethune, £5; by Rev. J. Hick, £8 16s. 3d.; Rev. B. B. Stevens, £5; Mrs. Langan, £5. Bazaar by Miss Adams, £6 0s. 8d.

It is pleasant to record, with gratitude to Divine Providence, that only six children died of the epidemic.

In the autumn of this year public health was restored, and the increased orphan family were again blessed with health and cheerfulness.

Expenditure this year, £304 4s. 11d.

1833.—The sum of £228 17s. 6d. (being a portion of the proceeds of a Bazaar held in the Government House) was received, as also a donation from Mrs. Frothingham of £5; and the first Legislative grant of £100.

Expenditure this year, £260 10s. 4d.

1834.—The Annual Meeting of 1834 was fraught with mixed pain and pleasure.

Reviewing the events of the year as connected with their Asylum, the ladies on the one hand rejoiced in its increased prosperity, and on the other deplored the loss, by death, of its first Secretary, Mrs. Barrett, the lady of J. T. Barrett, Esq., merchant, of this city. She possessed a pious and benevolent mind, whose zealous devotion fostered this Institution from its infancy to its then prosperous condition. This excellent lady (who last year drew up so able a Report of the progress of the Asylum), was recalled by Him, whom she so devotedly served, to receive the

recompense of her many virtues. By her death, this Institution lost, in common with the destitute and unfortunate, a benefactress and a friend.

Mrs. A. Bigelow was elected to replace Mrs. Barrett as Secretary, and accepted the charge; but, in the following month of September, being about to remove from Montreal, resigned her office; to the sincere regret of the Ladies.

Donations were received from—Mrs. Richardson, £5; Mrs. Redpath, £5; Legislature, £50; Mrs. Moses David, £10.

Expenditure this year, £224 8s. 11d.

1835.—In the summer of this year, the Asiatic Cholera again afflicted the community, and augmented the orphan family. This was a year replete with many blessings; but, like every state of mortal existence, not without its trials.

This Institution had also to deplore the loss of their First Directress, who, for the last four years, with most exemplary zeal and devotion, contributed her valuable services to the relief of the "Fatherless." In the death of Mrs. Leslie (the lady of the Hon. James Leslie), not only this Asylum, but every Charity, both public and private, sustained a loss which will be felt and remembered for many years.

At the Annual Meeting, Mrs. Budden, now Mrs. Duncan Fisher, was elected 1st Directress; Mrs. James Torrance, 2nd Directress; Mrs. Ross, Treasurer; and Mrs. McCord, Secretary.

Donations were received from—"An old Friend," £100; from a "Military Orphan Fund," by the hands of Rev. B. B. Stevens, £25; St. Patrick's Society, £7 10s.; a legacy from the estate of the late Wm. Boston, Esq., £5; from John Redpath, Esq., £5; and an Unknown Friend, £5.

This year's expenditure, £217 16s. 6d.

1836.—Aid was this year again received from—"An old Friend," £100; Provincial Legislature, £50; "A Friend to the Institution," by the hands of Mrs. A. Shaw, £12 10s.; John Redpath, Esq., £5; from an Unknown Friend, £5.

Expenditure this year, £236 15s. 10d.

1837.—This year, Mrs. McDonell (the late Mrs. Wilkes) was elected 2nd Directress, in the room of Mrs. James Torrance, removing to the Upper Province. The latter ever proved herself a kind and valuable friend.

Donations were handed in from—"Juvenile Amateurs," £6 3s. 6d.; from Mr. Waite, £5; from John Redpath, Esq., and A. F. Holmes, Esq., M.D., a sum of £10; the proceeds of a Sermon preached in Christ Church by Rev. H. Scadding, £34 11s. 9d.

Expenditure, £239 14s. 3d.

1838.—The Asylum was this year removed to more commodious premises in St. Antoine Street.

Contributions received:—From "An Unknown Friend," £20; from the Widows' Fund of the 24th Regt., £8 1s. 5d.; Mrs. McGill, £7 10s.; "An old Friend," £50; Gentlemen Amateurs, £47 10s.; Sermon preached by Rev. E. Black, D.D., of St. Paul's Church, £8 11s. 2d.; from two gentlemen of the Hon. Hudson's Bay Company, by the hands of James Keith, Esq., £10; From a grant of the Special Council, £100; Mrs. Reid, £10; Hon. James Ferrier, £10; Sermon preached by Rev. Mr. Neil, £14 3s. 2d.; Sermon preached by Rev. Henry Wilkes, D.D., £4 6s. 8d.

Expenditure, £248 4s. 5d.

1839.—Mrs. Michaels, the lady before mentioned, a kind and consistent friend of this Institution, departed this life, and left a legacy of £10. Donations were received from gentlemen of the Hon. Hudson's Bay Co., by the hands of James Keith, Esq., of £20; from a "Retired Volunteer," £10; from "An old Friend, £75; Mrs. Richardson and family, £5; Mrs. McGill, £5; Canadian Amateurs, £5; grant from Special Council, £100.

Annual Expenditure, £231 19s. 6d.

1840.—Mrs. D. Fisher, 1st Directress, resigned her office, to the great regret of the Ladies.

This year produced the following donations:—From John Severight, Esq., J. D. Cameron, Esq., Allan McDonell, Esq., James Keith, Esq., J. Cameron, Esq.,—all of the Hon. Hudson's Bay Co.,—£25; "An old Friend," £75; Gentlemen Amateurs, £47

3s. 4d.; Mrs. Richardson and family, £5; Amateur Performance in August, £25; A Legacy from Mrs. Gambell, £25; Grant from Special Council, £100.

Annual Expenditure, £219 18s. 10d.

1841.—Donations were received from—James Keith, Esq., £25; "An old Friend," £75; Paymaster of the 23d Regt., £6 10s.; Legacy bequeathed by late Miss Ermatinger, £12; Grant from Special Council, £100; Grant from Provincial Legislature, £25; from B. Holmes, Esq., M.P.P., one moiety of sessional allowance, £37 10s.; Mrs. E. M. David, £5; A Friend in Liverpool, £5.

Mrs. Reid, lady of the Hon. Chief Justice Reid, kindly acceded to the wishes of the Ladies, and consented to assume the duties of 2nd Directress.

Annual Expenditure, £265 17s. 11d.

1842.—James Keith, Esq., and four other gentlemen of the Hon. H. B. Co., gave £27 10s. This year, a donation of £20 17s. 6d. was received from the German residents of this city, after a *fête* given by them on the birth of H. R. H. the Prince of Wales. Mrs. Richardson and family, £5; Grant from the Provincial Legislature, £100.

Annual Expenditure, £287 15s. 4d.

1843.—The erection of a suitable building for the use of the Charity having long been a cherished object with the Ladies, they applied for and obtained, this year, an Act of Incorporation from the Provincial Legislature (7 Vic., c. 52), hoping at some future day to obtain means for realising the same.

Donations were received from—James Keith, Esq., and four other gentlemen of the Hon. H. B. Co. (not named), £22; A Legacy from the late Wm. Yule, Esq., of Chambly, £50; from "An old Friend," £50.

Annual expenditure £257 12s. 5d.

1844.—Contributions received, from Mrs. Richardson and family this year, £5; from "an old friend," £5; grant from the Provincial Legislature, £100; a legacy from Mrs. Charlotte (M

E.) David, £12 10s.; J. Severight, Esq., H. H. B. Co., £5; an unknown friend, £5.

Annual expenditure £267 1s. 8d.

1845.—Donations received, from Mrs. Ferrier, £5: Mrs. Finlayson of Lachine, $5; "an old friend," £75; His Excellency the Governor General, Lord Metcalfe, £10; Charles Bowman, Esq., £6 5s.; Hon. George Moffatt, £12 10s.; Mrs. (General) Ford Bowes, £7 10s.; the Provincial Legislature, £200.

Annual expenditure, £307 8s. 7d.

1846.—The Ladies were this year enabled to acquire land on which to build, partly by a generous donation of a lot of land in St. Catherine street, from the Hon. Mr. Justice Smith, the late Duncan Fisher, Esq., Q.C., and Hugh Taylor, Esq., and by the purchase of an adjoining lot from the same parties; thus provided, the friends of the Corporation were applied to for means to build, and the appeal was so promptly and generously answered, that by the end of the year the ladies felt themselves justified in requesting the aid of a building committee of gentlemen, and in entering into the contracts necessary for the carrying out of their plans.

The Building Committee consisted of the Hon. Mr. Justice McCord, the Rev. Dr. Wilkes, J. J. Barrett, Esq., Henry Corse, Esq., Robert Mackay, Esq., and Arthur Ross, Esq. For full particulars of Building Fund see Appendix, letter C.

Donations were received, from D. Finlayson, Esq., and other gentlemen of the H. H. B. Co., £15; from a friend, £50; Chas. Bowman, Esq., £5; grant from Provincial Legislature, £75; from "a friend at Lochaber," £6 10s.; from the Misses McDowall of Brantford, C.W., £10; from the Ancient Society of Free and Accepted Masons, being a collection made on the occasion of laying the foundation stone of Masonic Hall, Dalhousie Square, the sum of £30.

Annual expenditure, £307 1s. 4d.

1847.—The year 1847 was perhaps the most important in the annals of this Institution since its establishment. It had been

the will of providence to afflict this and other of the North American colonies with an accumulation of sickness, death and misery, unprecedented in its previous history, the consequence of an unfortunate and ill-directed system of immigration from Ireland, and all the charitable institutions in the country were called upon to afford their benevolent assistance and co-operation in mitigating the sufferings of their fellow-creatures thus thrown upon their commiseration in a state of the most helpless destitution.

It may be easily believed that under such circumstances the duties of the officers of this Society were greatly increased, and their energies called into the most active operation; nevertheless, they were more than rewarded in the happy results of their care, as manifested, under Providence, by the very few deaths among those committed to their charge, and by the numbers they were instrumental in placing in comfortable homes, after the sufferings and privations sustained, not only by the loss of parents and friends, but in many cases from the debilitating effects of the diseases under which they laboured.

In the month of June of this year, before the extent of those fearful ravages by typhus or ship fever were known or anticipated, a family of six orphans were thrown on the charity of the ladies and immediately admitted. In a few days the fever broke out among them, one of the children died, and it was with great difficulty, and through the skill of their gratuitous medical attendan- F. C. T. Arnold, Esq., M. D., that the contagion was prevented from spreading.

It was found impracticable, in the very limited premises occupied by the Institution, to admit those who had been exposed to disease among the healthy resident children. Immigration increased, day after day brought ships laden with disease and death, and orphans, without number, were consigned to the protection of the Provincial Government.

The Directresses, seeing the Government thus burthened, offered their aid, but as their limited means did not allow them to do so gratuitously, a fixed sum per month was agreed upon, the quantum of which was based upon what was supposed to be just sufficient to cover the expenditure. Thereupon the ladies hired a house in

William Street, St. Ann's suburbs, for the exclusive reception of those strangers, and placed it under the immediate charge of the daughter of the Superintendent (Miss Hannah Cribb, now Mrs. Boyd of this city), a dangerous and arduous task, which she discharged in a most exemplary manner, and to the perfect satisfaction of the Directresses. In the new Asylum, 95 orphans were admitted from June until 31st December, and their disposal will be shown by the following table :—

	Received	Placed out or claimed.	Returned sick to the sheds	Died.	Remaining.	Total.
Boys	50	19	5	8	18	50
Girls	45	35	3	2	5	45
Total	95	54	8	10	23	95

Thus it will be seen that in less than 7 months, duties the most onerous, equal in fact to more than 2 years ordinary management, were discharged by Mr. and Mrs. Cribb and daughter. It is impossible adequately to praise the high moral courage which they evinced in the discharge of their duties; the daily disregard of contagion incurred in their visits to the Fever Sheds at Point St. Charles, and the reception and care of children more or less infected with disease; and let it be remembered, that all this was cheerfully performed without the promise of any extra pecuniary compensation.

If the Directresses had, in that year, more than usual difficulties to contend with, they also had the satisfaction of contributing their mite towards the relief of their suffering fellow creatures, and of assisting a Government which has always aided them. Whilst helping these stranger Orphans, a kind Providence never deserted their own peculiar charge, none of whom died during that eventful year, although more than usually exposed.

This year the following Lgacies were received; from the late Mrs. S. L. Charles, by the hands of her executor, W. Fraser, Esq., M. D. £15; from the late Mrs. Richardson (widow of the late

Honorable John Richardson), a lady whose venerated name appears so frequently as a Benefactress of this Charity £20 ; from the late Mrs. John White the sum of £12 10s. ; from Asst. Com. Genl. Fulford B. Feilde, £5; from the Provincial Legislature £100: John Glass, Esquire, £7 10s.; Honorable P. McGill £7 10s.

Expenditure this year £335 10s. 8d.

1848.—In the spring of this year the foundations of the Asylum were laid, and notwithstanding a period of great commercial distress, thanks to the indefatigable exertions of their many friends, the building rapidly progressed towards completion. Mrs. Reid, the second Directress, resigned her Office in consequence of the declining health of the Hon. Chief Justice, and her Office was filled by Mrs. Coffin, the lady of Col. W. F. Coffin, then Sheriff.

Oh Mrs. Reid's resignation (who had held her office for seven years) the unanimous thanks of the Corporation were tendered to her.

In this year the annual reports were *first* published.

Expenditure this year £265 10s. 8d.

1849.—On the 4th June, the building being sufficiently finished to permit the taking possession thereof, the monthly meeting was held therein.

A legacy of £100 was this year received from the Executrix of the late Honorable Chief Justice Reid, which was, with her permission carried to the Building Fund. Thus the kind friend whose name, first on the Subscription List to the amount of £50, gave an example and impetus to the whole proceeding finished his good work by this last act of munificence.

Annual Expenditure £283 16s. 9d.

1850.—Jan. 8th. The first annual meeting was held within the walls of the new building this day, and all united in humble thanksgiving to that Divine Providence which had graciously permitted the fulfilment of their anxious prayers, and provided the present comfortable Asylum for their little charge.

Mrs. Coffin to the sincere regret of the Society resigned her Office, and Mrs., now Lady Wetherall, was elected 2nd Directress.

Donations received.

From Asst. C. Genl. F. B. Fielde, £5; Mr. J. B. Torry, £5.

Grant from Provincial Legislature £100. Thank-offering from Zion and Gosford St. Churches £10; Mr. Sands, from American Ministrels, £8 5s.; Mr. Stone, half proceeds of a Lecture, £9 10s. In June, 1850, Lady Wetherall unexpectedly levaing for England, Mrs. Moffatt was unanimously requested to accept the office of 2nd Directress, and kindly acceded to the desire of the ladies. Expenditure this year, £272 15s.

1851. At the Annual Meeting this year, it was announced and received with feelings of humble joy and gratitude that the debt on the building had been paid, the halls finished, the front door (the gift of the Honorable P. McGill,) completed, and the Institution fairly launched on its sea of usefulness, without other care than that of providing the necessary means for its annual maintenance. The funds from which these blessings were derived, came chiefly from the proceeds of a charity Bazaar held in the October previous. The generous support of the public, on this occasion produced the large sum of £253 6s. 3d., all expenses paid.

But, as in every picture in life, there must be shadow as well as light, and

"None here are happy, but in part,"

the Society was called upon to deplore the loss of its 1st Directress, Mrs. Wilkes, a lady whose long and devoted services in the interest of the Orphan, and whose urbane demeanor to all, will cause her memory to be ever revered by her fellow laborers in this charity.

Had it pleased the Almighty to have spared her, none would have more sincerely rejoiced to see the Institution which she loved, freed from all incumbrances.

The ladies had also to lament the loss of a friend, in the person of the late James Scott, Esquire, a merchant of this city, whose melancholy fate, and that of his family, excited the deepest sympathy in the breasts of all classes of Society, where he had acquired an honorable name and fortune. Seeking to spend the remainder

of his days in his native land, he perished by shipwreck, even on the shores of his destined home.

This generous man left a will, in which the charities of his adopted country were not forgotten, and this Institution acknowledged the receipt of a legacy of £50 from his executors.

This liberal bequest, arriving at a period, when the corporation had, from other sources, the means of paying its debts, suggested the idea of appropriating the principal, towards the formation of "An ENDOWMENT FUND," the annual interest only to be touched, thereby giving a permanency to the donation, and forming the beginning of a system, which it is hoped the benevolent will enable the ladies to carry out by contributions for its benefit.

They would not be supposed by the foregoing remarks to limit the donations of the charitable to testamentary contributions only, persuaded that there are many pious persons (and this city has recently had a munificent example in THE REID WING of the MONTREAL GENERAL HOSPITAL) who would rather see, whilst living, their benefactions bearing fruit. To such then, the ladies earnestly appeal, pointing out the *great good*, effected both in "Our Fatherland," and among our Anglo-Saxon neighbors, their descendants, by the princely endowments made by individuals, to charities such as the ONE now advocated.

For Endowment Fund, see Appendix, letter B.

The Office-Bearers elected this year were Mrs. Ross, 1st Directress, Mrs. Moffatt, 2nd Directress, Mrs. Tylee, Treasurer, Mrs. McCord, Secretary.

Donations received: from His Worship the Mayor (Hon. C. Wilson) £15, Mrs. General Rowan, £5, Assistant C. General F. B. Feilde, £5, T. S. Brown, Esq., £5.

Expenditure this year £276 12s. 11d.

1852. The following, the most gratifying incident of the past year, is now recorded with infinite pleasure, and the circumstance cannot be better told than in the words of an esteemed friend and learned gentleman, the late Wm. H. Fleet, Esquire, Advocate, of this city, who, deply impressed with this bright instance of gratitude, penned the following statement at the time it occured.

EXTRACT.—PLEASING ACKNOWLEDGMENT.

"The Treasurer of the Montreal Protestant Orphan Asylum, gratefully acknowledges the very generous donation of fifty pounds, towards the Endowment Fund of the Istitution, from Mr. Robert Finnie, of Maryville, State of California, by the hands of Mr. William Gunn, of this city.

"It is with feelings of far more than ordinary pleasure, that we record the above act of grateful liberality towards that admirable institution, the Montreal Protestant Orphan Asylum. The facts, which deserve to be spread as wide as public intelligence can spread them, are as follows:

"During the period of the first cholera in 1832, a child named Robert Finnie, was deprived of both his parents, and was placed, under these circumstances, in the Protestant Orphan Asylum of this city.

"In this Institution he remained till he had attained the age of 12 or 13 years, when he was placed with Mr. & Mrs. McDougall, of Georgetown, Beauharnois, C. E., and subsequently with Mr. William Gunn, of this city, with a view of becoming an apprentice to the coopering business. This he did, and having served his kind master faithfully for the assigned time, left at the age of 19 for South America, carrying with him, as he has since shown, a grateful recollection of the kindness received in the Orphan Asylum. From South America the wanderer was attracted by the news of the new El Dorado, to California, and here he seems to have thriven and to have realized hopes which with too many have proved most delusive. Still the recollection of the early Institution in which he was trained did not desert him. If he was now an intelligent mechanic pushing his way bravely through the goals of life, and acquiring the means of independence, to whom and to what was it all due but the friends who first took pity on his helpless infancy, and the noble Institution which offered him early instruction, and, what was still more important, the means of sound moral culture? Doubtless this feeling often crossed his mind in his wanderings, the promptings of a heart sensible of favors, and anxious for an opportunity to repay them. And at length this feeling became more than a sentiment: a little circum-

stance roused it into existence, and it became an act. "I was much pleased on reading," writes the orphan lad to the Secretary of the Asylum, "an account of the 29th anniversary of the Orphan Asylum, in the *Montreal Herald*, sent me by a friend in Montreal: it is now about 13 years since I left the Institution. Enclosed is a draft on New York, which please to present to the Asylum on my behalf towards the 'Endowment Fund." Perhaps it may lead others to do more." The draft is for TWO HUNDRED DOLLARS. Are we wrong in saying that such a fact requires no commentary? that it is alike honorable to the donor and the donee, to the orphan lad and to the Asylum?

"The name of ROBERT FINNIE must stand out in bold relief on the records of the Institution, and we trust that his noble example will, as he himself hopes, be followed by others."

The same office-bearers were re-elected.

In this year the "Children's Fund" was instituted, for the purpose of engaging the contributions of the younger members of families to a Charity expressly FOR CHILDREN. Thus it is hoped to create in their infant minds an interest which will naturally lead them, when their parents and friends, the present patrons, shall have passed away, to assume their place in the management and support of this useful Institution.

Donations this year received towards the General Fund:—John Frothingham, Esq., £12 10s. (Life Membership); Dep. Com. Gen. F. B. Feilde, Esq., £5; Hon. P. McGill, £5; Mrs. General Rowan, £5.

Expenditure this year, £289 11s.

1853.—Donations received:—Assist. Com. Gen. F. B. Feilde, Esq., £5; Hon. P. McGill, £5; Mrs. General Rowan, £5.

Expenditure this year, £315 11s. 5d.

1854.—The Society was this year compelled to make an appeal to the sympathy of its friends, in consequence of the unprecedented rise in the value of provisions, and of every necessary of life; which appeal was subsequently amply responded to.

In this year the Charity suffered another loss by the death of a highly esteemed friend and patroness, Miss McGillivray, who in

life had been an active member of the Committee of Management, a constant supporter of its funds, a contributor to the erection of its Asylum, and who, dying, testified her abiding love by a legacy of £25. Nor was she the only loss sustained this year, for another kind benefactress departed this life, Mrs. Dickson, widow of the late Hon. Robert Dickson, of Niagara, Upper Canada, who also left a legacy of £25 to the Charity she had formerly contributed to aid and sustain.

The benefactors of the Institution this year were neither few in number nor sparing in their contributions, and among them is recorded with pleasure the Independent Order of Rechabites (Perseverance Tent, No. 107), to whose zealous exertions, aided by the Philharmonic Society, they were indebted for the large sum of £157 14s. 6d., proceeds of a Promenade Concert under their auspices. The Fire Brigade (two companies) also generously contributed £10 3s. 3d. to the funds. Mrs. Robert Finnie, of California, following the good example of her husband, became a Life Member by subscribing £12 10s., and added thereunto a further donation of £12 10s. Donations were also received from J. R. Chamberlain, Esq., £5; Dep. Com. Gen., F. B. Feilde, Esq., £6; Hon. Robert Jones, £5; Hon. P. McGill, £5; Mrs. General Rowan, £5; Fred. W. Gates, Esq., Hamilton, C. W., £5.

Expenditure this year, £411 1s. 9d.

1855.—During this year a greater number of children were admitted into, and received the benefits of the Charity, than in any former year not accompanied by epidemics; and, in consequence, a further appeal was made to the sympathy of its friends.

An incident occurred this year, which, whilst it excited a mournful interest in the Officers and Members of the Institution, afforded also much religious satisfaction. Grace Davies, an orphan left by the typhus fever prevalent in 1847, with one brother and sister, became an inmate of the Asylum; and Grace, being both deaf and dumb, excited the deepest sympathy of her protectors. Unprovided with any suitable Institution in this country to supply an education suited to her infirmity, she became the peculiar charge of one of the Committee of Management, Miss Ross, who,

by her untiring zeal and attention, succeeded not only in giving her a good elementary education according to the system of the deaf and dumb, but also in inculcating a perfect knowledge of her religious duties and responsibilities, manifested unmistakeably at her death, which took place on the 5th of June, thus affording the greatest comfort to the patient herself, and an enviable gratification to her who was the happy means of bringing an immortal soul to the knowledge of her God.

A long and gratuitous series of medical services, rendered for twenty-three years, by their Physician, F. C. T. Arnoldi, Esq., M.D. and most cordially appreciated by all the members of the Corporation, were this year interrupted by his removal to Toronto, Canada West; and on his departure, the thanks of the Corporation were tendered him, for duties, which, at all times, and more especially during epidemics, were rendered with a kindness and assiduity which will long be remembered by the ladies.

To his sanitary recommendations proposed and adopted, requiring all children seeking admission to be inspected previously to their being admitted into the Asylum, the Institution owes its freedom from contagion, especially in cutaneous diseases.

R. P. Howard, Esq., M.D., generously offered to supply the place of Doctor Arnoldi, and his services were thankfully accepted.

The Donations received this year were as follows:—"A Friend," by Mrs. Archbold, £5; "E. R. O. L.," £5; Deputy Com. Gen. Feilde, £5; Charles Low, Esq., £5; Wm. Macrae, Esq., £5; Mrs. General Rowan, £5; Stewards of Commander Bevès dinner, £8 5s; Grant from Legislative Assembly, £150.

Expenditure this year, £494 5s. 1d.

1856.—The Corporation was this year enabled to add another lot of land to their premises, for the purpose of affording more room for healthy exercise, and for the benefits to be derived from the cultivation thereof. The vendor, Hugh Taylor, Esq., generously remitted on the purchase-money the sum of £100, and made the terms of payment for the balance suitable to the means of the Society.

Important help was this year obtained from the proceeds of a

Promenade Concert, which yielded the handsome sum of £162 1s. 10d.; at the same time affording sure proof, if any such had been wanting, that their trust in their friends and benefactors had not been misplaced.

Donations received this year:—Grant from Legislature, 150; Protector Fire Co., by Capt. Hammond, £7 10s.; Union Fire Co., by Capt. May, £11; Amateurs Royal Canadian Rifles, by Sergeant Underwood, £10; Hon. Robert Jones, Christieville, £5; C. Low, Esq., £5; Hon. P. McGill, £5.

Expenditure this year, £444 5s. 3d.

1857.—The leading feature of this year was the anxiety felt by the ladies respecting their Land Fund, and the means of liquidating their purchase, and no exertions were spared by all their friends to meet the emergency; proof of which will be manifest when it is recorded, that, by the extraordinary exertions and personal influence of Mrs. Ferrier (lady of the Hon. James Ferrier), the large sum of £126 5s. was collected; to which was added a further sum of £75, collected by Mrs. Ferdinand McCulloch and Mrs. Doctor Fraser, equally zealous in the cause.

For Building Fund, see Appendix, letter C.

The happy season of Christmas ushered in a welcome letter from their constant friend, Mr. Robert Finnie, of California, containing a California Bond for £25, bearing interest at the rate of 10 per cent. per annum for thirteen years, the principal redeemable at that time; thus completing the entire contribution of £150 since the year 1851.

Amidst this prosperous career, the ladies were called upon to deplore the loss of four friends, called away from their sphere of worldly usefulness—no doubt to their reward—in the persons of the late Mrs. Bolton, Robert Armour, Esq., John Severight, Esq., Hon. H. B. Co., and Thos. Williams, Esq., whose several legacies will be found honorably recorded.

The contributions for the year were as follows:—Grant from Provincial Legislature, £150; a Temperance Soirée at the Tanneries, £10; the First Company of the Montreal Rifles, £10; Charles Low, Esquire, £5; Hon. P. McGill, £5; from City and

District Savings Bank, £75; M. E. David, Esq., £12 10s.; Thos. Morland, Esq., £25; "A Friend," by J. T. Barrett, Esq., £100; from "Mary Thankful," £50; Legacies: from the late John Severight, Esq., £25; Robert Armour, Esq., £25; Thos. Williams, Esq., £25; Mrs. Bolton, £10:

Expenditure this year, £513 9s. 9d.

1858.—Although hitherto the education of the children had not been neglected, but, on the contrary, most carefully attended to by the Superintendent and Matron, Mr. and Mrs. Cribb, the ladies felt convinced, that, without exceeding the limits to which children in their station of life were entitled, much useful knowledge might be added; and, therefore, engaged the services of a Teacher (Miss Moore), under whose auspices, and those of her successor (Miss Walling, appointed on the resignation of the former), the children have made great progress; and the ladies, with pleasure, record the satisfaction given by both teachers.

The chief circumstance of interest this year was the more than ordinary happy result of a Promenade Concert, given under the auspices and kind patronage of the officers and members of the Active Volunteer Militia Force, by whose exertions, ably supported by the amateur and professional musical talent of this city, aided by the press and the services of many untiring friends, ALL GRATUITOUS, was realised the sum of £161.

This large and munificent sum, enabled the Corporation to pay the remaining instalment on the land last purchased, for which the Ladies offer their grateful acknowledgements.

Grants were received, from the Provincial Legislature, £150; the City and District Savings Bank, £75; the Prince Consort's Quadrille Party, £7 13s. 9d.; Corporation of Montreal, part of a seizure, £10; Union Fire Company, by Capt. Perry, £5; Hon. P. McGill, £5; Hon. George Moffatt, £5; Lady Eyre, £5; Charles Low, £5; Mrs. George Matthews, £5; — Rogers, Esq., of Wolverhampton, England, £5.

Expenditure this year, £464 13s. 2d.

Thus the Secretary has endeavored, however imperfectly, to comply with the desire of the Corporation in preparing an "His-

torical Sketch" of this humble charity, by recording the principal transactions which, in her judgment, were most likely to interest those more immediately concerned in the government and management of the Institution,—those who have hitherto so liberally patronised it,—and also to make known its wants and usefulness to benevolent hearts yet unacquainted with its unpretending sphere of action.

It is more within the compass of an Annual Report to thank from time to time the friends of the Institution for those pleasing and gratuitous acts of benevolence so frequently tendered, and it is hoped, that on reference to their printed Reports, it will be found that ample justice has been done to all.† Care has been taken duly to register all the benefactions to which this Charity owes its support; and the ladies trust, that it will not be deemed out of place here, to make mention of an act of affectionate kindness (repeated every year) by Miss Frothingham, one of the Ladies of the Committee of Management, by the Annual presentation of a Christmas Tree, laden, as it always is, with tasteful and useful gifts to the young, accompanied by more solid and valuable donations to the officers of the household. It doubtless is true that the donor may be amply rewarded by the cheerful and happy hearts and faces thereby secured, but the record of the fact affords equal pleasure to the Directresses of this Institution.

Expenditure of this year, £451 17s. 5d.

1859.—For a statement of the statistics of the Society and its present monetary status, reference is requested to the Appendices, to be printed with this Report, and it need only be mentioned here, *en passant*, the remarkable sanitary fact, that out of upwards of 600 children received into the Asylum since its foundation, only FORTY-SEVEN have died, notwithstanding the epidemics at different times prevalent, which must be deemed a wonderfully small proportion, considering the usual mortality among children in this country. These facts, under Prrovidence, reflect the greatest

† In the foregoing record of donations, mention has only been made of sums of, and above £5; all lesser sums having been published in the Annual Reports supplied to each contributor.

credit on the professional skill of the Medical Officers above named, and on the kind and unremitting care of Mr. and Mrs Cribb, the respected Superintendent and Matron,—an appreciation of whose long and valued services for 21 YEARS was manifested by a presentation, this year, of a purse of gold pieces from the Directresses, Committee of Management, Treasurer and Secretary.

In conclusion, the Ladies trust that the foregoing simple narrative of the trantactions of the Society will not be read with indifference by those who, passing through life's devious course, are fully impressed with the sacred truth, that we are all bound to afford each other continual aid and assistance, and "whilst we have time, to do good to all men."

To contribute according to our means to charities of the nature of the present, should be deemed not only a duty but a privilege, humbly praying that He who, when on earth, "took up little children in his arms, put his hands upon them, and blessed them," will be pleased to continue those manifold mercies which for Thirty-Eight years have been so graciously vouchsafed them.

The whole respectfully submitted,

ANNE McCORD,
Secretary,
P. O. A.

Montreal,
31st December, 1859.

APPENDIX A.

OFFICE BEARERS.

1823.

MRS. AIRD.....1*st Directress.*
THE DOWAGER BARONESS OF LONGUEUIL..2*nd Directress.*
MRS. J. DAVIDSON ROSS.....*Treasurer.*
MRS. BARRETT.....*Secretary.*

1829.

THE DOWAGER BARONESS OF LONGUEUIL..1*st Directress.*
MRS. ROSS.....*Treasurer.*
MRS. BARRETT.....*Secretary.*

1830.

MRS. LESLIE.....1*st Directress.*
MRS. ROSS.....*Treasurer.*
MRS. BARRETT.....*Secretary.*

1834.

MRS. LESLIE.....1*st Directress.*
MRS. ROSS.....*Treasurer.*
MRS. A. BIGELOW.....*Secretary.*

1835.

MRS. BUDDEN, (now MRS. DUNCAN FISHER)...1*st Directress.*
MRS. JAMES TORRANCE.....2*nd Directress.*
MRS. ROSS.....*Treasurer.*
MRS. McCORD.....*Secretary.*

1837.

MRS. BUDDEN.....1*st Directress.*
MRS. McDONNELL, (afterwards MRS. WILKES)..2*nd Directress.*
MRS. ROSS.....*Treasurer.*
MRS. McCORD.....*Secretary.*

1841.

MRS. WILKES.....1*st Directress.*
MRS. REID.....2*nd Directress.*
MRS. ROSS.....*Treasurer.*
MRS. McCORD.....*Secretary.*

1848.

MRS. WILKES.....1*st Directress.*
MRS. COFFIN.....2*nd Directress.*
MRS. ROSS.....*Treasurer.*
MRS. McCORD.....*Secretary.*

1850.

MRS. WILKES.....1*st Directress.*
LADY WETHERALL.....2*nd Directress.*
MRS. ROSS.....*Treasurer.*
MRS. McCORD.....*Secretary.*

1850. (Second Election.)

MRS. WILKES.....1*st Directress.*
MRS. MOFFATT.....2*nd Directress.*
MRS. ROSS.....*Treasurer.*
MRS. McCORD.....*Secretary.*

1851.

MRS. ROSS.....1*st Directress.*
MRS. MOFFATT.....2*nd Directress.*
MRS. TYLEE.....*Treasurer.*
MRS. McCORD.....*Secretary.*

Since 1851, the same Officers have been annually re-elected.

APPENDIX B.

ENDOWMENT FUND.

From its commencement in 1850.

Legacy from late James Scott, Esq., in 1850		$200 00
Received from Mr. Robert Finnie of Marysville, California, in 1851	$200 00	
" " " " 1852	100 50	
" " " " 1853	100 00	
" " " " 1858, a Bond of the County of Yuba, State of California for $100, redeemable 1st January, 1873, bearing interest at 10 per cent per annum		
Received of Mrs. Robert Finnie in 1854, besides the same sum for the General Fund as a Life Member	50 00	
		450 50
Legacy from late J. J. Whyte, Esq., in 1852		100 00
Received from an Old Friend, in 1853	400 00	
" " " by J. T. Barrett, Esq., in 1857	400 00	
		800 00
Legacy from late Mrs. Anne Wark of Middleton, County Lanark, C. W., in 1853		40 00
Legacy from W. Severight, Esq., 1853		100 00
Legacy from the late A. S. L., in 1854		20 00
Legacy from late Mrs. Dickson in 1854		100 00
Legacy from the late Miss McGillivray, in 1855		100 00
Received of Mrs. Dr. Crawford, from 1852 to 1855		9 00
Received of M. E. David, Esq., in 1857		50 00
Received of Thos. Morland, Esq., 1857		100 00
Legacy from late John Severight, Esq., in 1857		100 00
" " Robert Armour, Esq., in 1857		100 00
" " Thomas Williams, Esq., in 1857		100 00
" " Mrs. Bolton, in 1857		40 00
Received of Mary Thankful in 1857		200 00
Received of Rev. Mr. Bond, part amount left him for distribution		10 00
Amount carried forward		2619 50
Received of City & District Savings Bank, in 1857.	300 00	
" " " " 1858.	300 00	
" " " " 1859.	300 00	
		900 00
Received dividend on £200 Montreal Bank Stock given by an unknown friend, as a permanent investment towards this fund, from 1851 to 1859		528 00
		$4047 50

Invested as follows:—

5 Shares Montreal Bank Stock at par.....	$1000 00	
4 " " " " at 12 per cent..	896 00	
Cash on hand, 31st December 1859, deposited in the Montreal Savings Bank at 6 per cent Interest	2151 50	
		4047 50

In 1851, the	"Endowment Fund"	produced	$17 60
In 1852,	"	"	"	31 30
In 1853,	"	"	"	78 03
In 1854,	"	"	"	94 00
In 1855,	"	"	"	141 90
In 1856,	"	"	"	131 23
In 1857,	"	"	"	127 33
In 1858,	"	"	"	246 18
In 1859,	"	"	"	294 00

Life Members.

In accordance with the 3rd section of the Constitution.

Mr. Robert Finnie, of Marysville, California, in 1851.
John Frothingham, Esq., of Montreal, in 1852.
Mrs. Robert Finnie, of Marysville, California, in 1854.
M. E. David, Esq., of Montreal, in 1857.
Thomas Morland, Esq., of Montreal, in 1857.

APPENDIX C.

BUILDING FUND.

	£	s.	d.
Amount received from the Ancient Society of Free and Accepted Masons, being a collection made on the occasion of laying the foundation Stone of Masonic Hall, Dalhousie Square in October, 1846.....	30	0	0
Interest received from Savings Bank on deposits, to 31st December, 1848.....	15	7	3
Amount refunded by Government, being for the transport of 12 Immigrant Orphans to Shipton, paid for out of the funds of the William Street Asylum, and now appropriated to the Building Fund by order of the Committee.....	6	0	0
Amount received from Government, being for proceeds of sale of stoves, &c., on closing the William Street Asylum, and now appropriated to the Building Fund by order of Committee.	7	11	2

Alpabetical List of Subscriptions to the Building Fund of the Montreal Protestant Orphan Asylum, received prior to the 30th December, 1848.

Anderson, T. B., ...	£5	0	0	Breary, J. R.....	£0	5	0
Armour, Robert,.....	5	0	0	Corse, R. & H.	20	0	0
Allan, Hugh,.....	2	10	0	Coffin, Mr. Sheriff, ...	5	0	0
Armour, John, ...	1	5	0	Campbell, Major, ...	5	0	0
Atwater, E.....	0	15	0	Campbell, G.W.,M.D.,..	5	0	0
Barrett, Miss	10	0	0	Campbell, R., ...	2	10	0
Barrett, Miss Lucy, ...	5	0	0	Christie, Mrs.,.....	1	5	0
Barrett, Mr.....	5	0	0	Chapman, Mrs. H.,.....	0	10	0
Boston, Mr. Sheriff, ...	5	0	0	Chalmers, R., ...	0	5	0
Baldwin, Hon. Robert,..	2	10	0	Dow, W.,.....	25	0	0
Brush, Mrs. George,....	1	5	0	Davidson, Mrs., of Carrickfergus,.....	10	0	0
Belton, Mr.....	0	5	0				

	£	s.	d.
Donations, (Sundry),...	9	5	4
Day, Hon., Mr. Justice,.	5	0	0
Day, J.J.,.....	5	0	0
Davidson, David, ...	5	0	0
Dodds, Miss, ...	2	10	0
Elgin,HerEx.Countess of	7	10	0
Edmonstone, Wm.,.....	5	0	0
Easton, Robt,.....	3	0	0
Easton, Miss,.....	1	5	0
Evans, Mrs. J. H.,.....	1	5	0
Friend, An Old, ...100		0	0
Frothingham, John,....	25	0	0
Finlayson, D.,.....	15	0	0
Ferrier, Hon. Jas.	10	0	0
Frothingham, Miss, ...	2	10	0
Friend, at Lachine,....	2	0	0
Ferguson, Miss,.....	1	5	0
Friend, per Mr.Gemmill,	0	12	6
Gerrard, Samuel, ...	10	0	0
Gilmour, James,.....	5	0	0
Gerrard, Richard, ...	5	0	0
Greenshields, John,....	2	10	0
Greene, Mr., ...	2	10	0
Gerrard, Mrs.,.....	1	5	0
Galt, Mrs.....	1	5	0
Greenshields, J. B.,....	1	0	0
Gillespie, Robt., Senr...	1	0	0
Gibb, B.,.....	0	10	0
Gordon,Mrs.,.....	0	7	6
Holmes, Dr. A. F.,.....	5	0	0
Hervey, Mrs. James,....	5	0	0
Hamilton, Mrs. Robert,.	5	0	0
Holloway, Mrs. Colonel,	3	0	0
Hall, Benjamin,.....	3	0	0
Hamilton, R. H., ...	1	5	0
Hill, Mrs., ...	0	15	0
Hall,Mrs., Ottawa Hotel,	0	10	0
Innes, Mr.	1	10	0
Kay, Thomas, ...	5	0	0
Keith, James, Aberdeen,	2	10	0
Leslie, Hon. James,....	10	0	0
Logan, James, ...	5	0	0
Lowe, Mrs.,.....	2	10	0
Lyman, S. Jones,.....	1	5	0
Leeming, Mrs. John, ...	1	5	0
Moffatt, Hon. George, ..	25	0	0
Mills, J. E.,.....	25	0	0
Molson, Mrs., ...	10	0	0
Molson, William, ...	5	0	0
Molson, Thomas, ...	5	0	0
Monk, S. W.,.....	5	0	0
Murray, Mr.....	5	0	0
Mathewson, J., ...	5	0	0
Meredith, Hon. Judge...	5	0	0
Morris, Hon. Wm.....	5	0	0
Mayer, Mr., ...	5	0	0
Molson, J. H.	1	5	0
Mussen, Thos.....	0	10	0
Mathewson, S.,.....	0	5	0
Muir, Mr., ...	0	5	0
McCord,Hon. Mr.Justice,	25	0	0
McGill, Hon. Peter,....	20	0	0
Do. second donation,	5	0	0
McKenzie, J. G.,.....	10	0	0
McKay, Robert,.....	10	0	0
McGillivray, Miss,.....	5	0	0
McPherson, D., ...	5	0	0
McKay Mrs., ...	1	5	0
McKay, Joseph,.....	0	10	0
McCoy, Mr., ...	0	10	0
Orr, J. R.....	2	10	0
Ostell, John, from a Special Jury,.....	1	10	0
Phillips,Mrs. C.....	3	0	0
Payne, Doct.....	2	10	0
Prentis, Mrs.,.....	0	10	0
Perkins, Mr.,.....	0	10	0
Reid, Hon. Chief Justice, Legacy, ...100		0	0
Reid, Hon. Chief Justice, Donation	50	0	0
Ross,Mrs.Jane Davidson,	10	0	0
Richardson, Mrs.,.....	5	0	0
Routh, H. L., ...	5	0	0
Ramsay, Hew, ...	5	0	0
Robertson, W.,.....	2	10	0
Ross, Mrs. D. P.,.....	2	10	0
Rose, Hon. John.....	2	10	0
Scott, James,.....	20	0	0
Simpson. Sir George,..	10	0	0
Smith, John, ...	5	0	0
Stayner, J. A.,.....	5	0	0
Smith & Morgan, ...	2	10	0
Stephens, Mrs. H.,.....	2	10	0
Simpson, Mrs. Alex.....	1	5	0
Shaw, Mrs. Andrew, ...	0	10	0
Sproaton, J., ...	0	5	0
Taylor, Mr.,.....	5	0	0
Tylee, Mrs.,.....	4	0	0
Tuttle, E. C.,.....	1	5	0
Tyre, Mr., ...	1	0	0
Waldo, Miss, Mass. U. S.	12	10	0
Wenham, Mrs.,.....	2	10	0
Wilkes, Mrs.,.....	1	5	0
Wright, Mr.,.....	1	0	0

List of Subscribers to the Building Fund of the Montreal Protestant Orphan Asylum during the year 1849—1850.

	£	s.	d.
Armour, Andrew,.....	2	10	0
Bethune, Mr., of Thoro, C. W.....	0	10	0
Brown, Mrs.....	0	2	6
Bleakley, William,.....	1	5	0
Brewster, Benjamin,....	2	10	0
Collections made by Miss Moffatt, and Miss Frothingham,.....	23	0	0
Collections made by Mrs. Ferrie and Miss Ure,.	7	17	4
Collections made by G. R. Robertson.....	6	11	3
Collections made by Miss Ross and Miss Smith.	3	14	3
D'Urban, Sir Benjamin, His Excellency,.....	10	0	0
Desbarats, Mr.....	0	10	0
Doty, Mrs.,.....	0	5	0
Ferrie, Mrs. Adam,.....	0	10	0
Fergusson, Doct. Inspector General of Hospital.	10	0	0
Filder, Mrs.,.....	1	15	1
Friend, by Mrs. Willes,	2	10	0
Friends, Donation from sundry,.....	3	5	0
Gale, Hon. Mr. Justice,	5	0	0
Gunn, Mrs.,.....	5	0	0
Gerrard, Richard (2nd donation,).....	4	10	0
Gerrard, Richard, (4 months extra Insurance, (3 donation,) ..	2	16	0
Gorrie, Mr. D.....	2	10	0
Hall, B.....	0	5	0
Hall, William, H. M. Customs,.....	3	0	0
Knapp, Joseph,.....	5	0	0
Kirkwood, Mrs.	0	10	0
Kirkwood, Mr.....	1	0	0
King, Mrs. E.,.....	0	5	0
Matthews, Mrs.,.....	0	5	0
McGill, Hon. Peter, (3rd donation), ...	12	10	0
Mills, Mrs.,.....	2	10	0
McCord, (Hon. Mr. Justice), 2nd donation,..	2	10	0
Masson, Damase, (a special Jury),.....	0	15	0
Ostell, John, deduction of his Account,.....	15	0	0
Paton, Thomas, ...	5	0	0
Platt, Mrs., ...	2	10	0
Prentice, Mrs.,.....	1	5	0
Poor Box at Ottawa Hotel, May, 1849,....	0	7	3
Rowan, Mrs , General,..	5	0	0
Ross, Mrs., Jane (Davidson), 2nd.	1	3	4
Donation,.....			
Ross, William, N. P.,...	1	5	0
Scott, James,.....	3	10	9
Spiers, John,.....	1	5	0
Stuart, Mrs. D.,.....		5	0
Wetherall, (Lady), ...	1	5	0
Wicksteed, Mrs.,.....	3	15	0
Yule, John, and family, of Chambly, ...	8	5	0
Young, John, Hon., ...	5	0	0
Nett Proceeds of Fancy Bazaar held in the Hon. Thos. McKay's house, in Great St. James St. on 17-18-19 Oct. 1850, in aid of Building Fund.	253	6	3
Amount from General Fund in Feb. 1850.	15	0	0
Odd Fellow's Society, January, 1849.	20	0	0

APPENDIX D.

LAND FUND.

Alphabetical List of Subscriptions received previous to 30th December, 1854.

	£	s.	d.
Armour, R.	1	5	0
Benjamin, Bros.	0	10	0
Benny, Walter.	1	0	0
Cash, sundry small sums	4	0	0
Clark, Thompson, & Co.	1	0	0
Corse, R.	1	5	0
Cross, R.	0	10	0
Clifford, S.	1	0	0
Dorwin, C.	0	10	0
Dow, W.	1	5	0
Elliott, Dr.	1	0	0
Ferrier, J. jr.,	2	10	0
Fitts, C.	0	15	0
Fraser, W. Mrs.,	1	5	0
Frazer, J. R. Mrs.,	0	10	0
Ferguson, Dr. Dep'y, Inspector Gen. Hos. Ceylon	5	0	0
Finlayson, Mrs.,	1	0	0
Frothingham, Miss	10	0	0
G. H.	0	10	0
Glennon, J.	1	0	0
Gibb, J. J. Mrs.	1	0	0
Galt, W. Mrs.	1	0	0
Hutchins, R.	0	10	0
Holland, P.	2	10	0
Holland, P. Mrs.	0	10	0
Hutchins, J. R.	0	10	0
Holmes, F. E.	1	0	0
J. W. H.	0	10	0
J. V. H.	0	10	0
Interest to 30th Dec. '54.	12	12	0
Knapp, Joseph.	1	5	0
Kingan, J.	0	15	0
Kershaw, Mrs.,	1	5	0
Logan, James.	1	5	0
Logan, Wm.	1	5	0
Low, Mrs.	10	0	0
McGill, Hon. P.	5	0	0
Murray, Wm.	1	5	0
McCulloch, F.	1	5	0
Mulholland, H.	1	0	0
McKenize, J. G.	10	0	0
Muir, Mrs.	1	0	0
McKay, Joseph.	1	5	0
Mussen, Mrs.	1	5	0
McLean, John.	1	0	0
Muir, James.	0	15	0
Molson, Mrs.	10	0	0
An Old Friend,	150	0	0
Paton, Thomas,	2	10	0
Parker, A. Davidson	1	0	0
Panton, S. C.	1	5	0
Ramsay & McArthur	1	0	0
Russell, Hector,	1	0	0
Russel, C. Mrs.	1	10	0
Ramsay, Mr.	1	0	0
Ramsay, H.	1	5	0
Shelton, Mr.	1	0	0
Savage & Lyman,	1	5	0
Stirling, John,	1	0	0
Tuttle, E. C.	0	5	0
Taylor, T. M.	1	5	0
Taylor, Edward,	1	0	0
Townsend, Wm. H.	1	0	0
Thomas, Henry,	2	10	0
Thomson, Johnston,	1	0	0
Unitarian, An,	1	5	0
Veit, J. Mrs.,	0	10	0
Whitney, N. S.	1	0	0
Workman. Wm.	2	10	0
White, O.	1	0	0
Wright, E.	1	0	0
Watson, Wm.	1	5	0
Williams, Miles,	1	0	0
Williams, Miles, Jr.,	1	0	0
Zuchlke, Mrs.	0	10	0

Alphabetical List of Subscriptions to the Land Fund from 1854 to 1857

	£	s.	d.
Addy, M.	0	5	0
Brown, T. S.	5	0	0
Becket, John.	0	15	0
Collis, Mr.	1	0	0
Dods, Jno.	5	0	0
Friend, (by Miss Frothingham).	1	5	0
Donation from Messrs. Monk & Macrae, their Fee for obtaining Ratification of Title.	6	5	0
Donation from Messrs. Desbarats & Derbishire their Account for Printing of Title.	1	18	0
Donation from J. A. Martin, fee as bailiff of Title.	1	0	0
Gibb & Hunter for notarials,	2	14	0
Greenshields, J.	5	0	0
Greenshields, J. B.	1	0	0
Interest to Decr., 1857,	51	0	3
Lawford, Mr.	1	0	0
Learmont, Mr.	0	5	0
Morland, T.	5	0	0
Moffatt, Hon. George	5	0	0
Moffatt, Capt. R.C.R.	1	0	0
Molson, Wm.	1	0	0
Muir, R.	1	0	0
Muir, E.	1	5	0
Muir, W.	1	0	0
Morgan, H.	0	15	0
Mitchell, James.	2	10	0
Maitland, Mrs; Edward.	1	5	0
Macrae, William,	1	5	0
McGill, Hon. P.	10	0	0
McDonough, Muir & Co.	1	5	0
Paton, Thomas.	5	0	0
Rose, Mr.	1	5	0
Ross, Mrs.	2	0	0
Robertson, Miss,	0	10	0
Starnes, H. as Mayor of Montreal,	2	[illegible]	
Shelton, E. E.	0	[illegible]	
Sinclair, John,	0	10	0
Stephens, George,	0	10	0
Scott, S. B.	0	10	0
Taylor, Hugh, renounced on purchase of land,	100	0	0
Tylee, R. S.	1	5	0
Tuggy, Mrs.	0	5	0

Alphabetical List of Collections made by Mrs. Ferrier for the Land Fund in 1857.

	£	s.	d.
Allan, Hugh.	1	5	0
Alexander, Charles,	1	5	0
Bagg, S. C.	2	10	0
Brooke, John,	2	10	0
Cramp, Thomas,	2	10	0
Campbell, Alexander	2	10	0
Campbell, Messrs. R & Co	2	10	0
Carter, John,	1	5	0
Dow, William,	1	5	0
Edmondstone, Wm.	1	5	0
Ferrier, James, Jr.,	5	0	0
Ferrier, Hon. James	5	0	0
Finlayson, D.	5	0	0
Friend	2	10	0
Galt, Mrs. A. T.	2	10	0
Genard, Samuel,	1	5	0
Glennon, J.	1	0	0
Gibb, J. D.	1	0	0
Gibb, B.	1	5	0
Gould, Ira,	2	10	0
Holton, Mrs.	2	10	0
Hagar, George,	1	5	0
Hutton, James,	1	0	0
Kay, Thomas,	2	10	0
Kerry, John,	1	5	0
Knapp, Joseph,	2	10	0
Lunn, William,	2	10	0
Lymans, Savage & Co.,	2	10	0
Lechie, Robert,	1	5	0
Lambe, Wm. B.	2	10	0
Mills, Mrs. J. E.	2	10	0
Mills, E. Lyman,	2	10	0
Morris, Alexander,	2	10	0
MacKay, Joseph,	2	10	0
McLennan, McNab & Co.	1	5	0
McLean, John,	1	5	0

Noad, Bros.	2	10	0	Torrance, D.	5	0	0
Ostell, John,	1	0	0	Thomas, Henry	2	10	0
Redpath, P.	2	10	0	Torrance, James,	2	10	0
Ross, Donald,	2	10	0	Tiffin, Joseph	2	0	0
Rattray, J.	2	10	0	Thomson, John	1	5	0
Robertson, Alexander	1	0	0	Thomson, Johnston	1	5	0
Stephen, Wm.	5	0	0	Whitney, N. S.	2	10	0
Stephens, H	2	10	0	Whitney, W. H.	2	10	0
Smith, John,	2	10	0	Watson, Wm.	1	5	0
Torrance, J.	5	0	0				

List of Subscriptions to Land Fund, in 1858.

	£	s.	d.
By Proceeds of Promenade Concert held in aid of this Fund in February 1858.	161	0	3
Subscription from Mrs. Tuggy	0	5	0
Cassels, Robert,	1	5	0
McCord, Mrs.	1	5	0
Interest to December, 1858,	0	6	5

CONSTITUTION

AND

BY-LAWS

OF THE

Montreal Protestant Orphan Asylum,

TO WHICH IS ADDED

THE ACT OF INCORPORATION,

7 Vict. c. 52.

AMENDED BY 23 VICT. C. 143

Montreal:
PRINTED BY JOHN LOVELL, ST. NICHOLAS STREET.
1860.

CONSTITUTION.

PREAMBLE.

ADOPTED IN THE YEAR 1844.

WHEREAS, in the month of February, 1822, the Female Benevolent Society, which, at that date, was dissolved, consigned the Orphans under its charge to the care and maintenance of the Protestant Churches of Montreal; and, whereas, a formal organization having been at length found necessary, a public meeting was called of Ladies belonging to the several Protestant Churches, which, assembling on the sixteenth day of December, 1822, and being largely attended, formed "The Society of the Montreal Protestant Orphan Asylum," under a Constitution and Laws then agreed upon; and, whereas, it has been hitherto conducted in accordance with its originally recorded design and principles, by Ladies connected with the several Protestant Churches, and chosen annually for the purpose, by the vote of a general meeting; and, whereas, said Society has been incorporated by an Act of the Provincial Legislature, to take effect from, and after the 16th of November, 1843; and, whereas, it is important that the Constitution, Rules, and Regulations now existing, should be recognised and recorded;—

And, whereas, it is now expedient in the year 1852, that the said Constitution, Rules, and Regulations should be again revised and amended. Wherefore it was Resolved that the following do constitute the Constitution, Rules, and Regulations of the Society:

I.

The name of this Corporation shall be "The Ladies of the Protestant Orphan Asylum of Montreal."

II.

Every Lady subscribing annually Five Dollars shall be a Member, and eligible to office.

III.

Fifty Dollars paid at one time, shall constitute a Life Membership. Such Fifty Dollars to be placed to the Endowment Fund, or to the General Fund at the option of the donor.

IV.

The Annual General Meetings shall be held as provided for, by the Act of Incorporation, and its amendment by 23 Vict. c. 143, and, at these meetings, some one of the Clergymen of the City, belonging to one or other of the several Protestant Denominations, shall be requested to preside.

V.

The Officers of this Institution shall consist of a First and Second Directress, a Secretary and Treasurer, and a Board of Managers of 29 Ladies of the Protestant Churches of this City, who shall be elected according to the provisions of the Act of Incorporation.

VI.

At the Annual General Meeting, a report shall be submitted of the transactions of the preceding year, and the Treasurer shall also produce a full and clear statement of the funds of the Corporation, previously audited by the Committee of Finance, hereinafter provided for.

VII.

The Officers and Board of Managers shall meet monthly at the Asylum, for the transaction of business.

The foregoing 7 Sections are hereby recognised as the Constitution of the Society by unanimous vote of the annual meeting this day.

SOPHIA MOFFATT,
2nd Directress.

ANNE McCORD,
Secretary.

Montreal, 15th January, 1852.

BY-LAWS.

I.

The Monthly Meeting of the Board shall be held on the first Monday in every month, at the Asylum, at half-past two o'clock, P. M.

II.

A Special Meeting of the Board shall be held in the last week of December, to close the accounts for the year, and make arrangements for the Annual General Meeting.

III.

The first Directress, or, in her absence, the second Directress, shall preside at all meetings of the Board, and shall have a casting vote. If neither of the above be present, one of the members shall be chosen to preside. Eight Ladies shall form a Quorum.

IV.

The Secretary shall notify and attend all Meetings of the Society; keep a fair and correct record of their proceedings, execute and take charge of the Indentures, and do all the necessary writing connected with the Corporation.

V.

The Treasurer shall attend all Meetings of the Board, shall have charge of all monies, stocks, bonds, and deeds, the property of the Corporation, keep clear and distinct accounts of all monies received and paid, and shall pay no accounts not previously audited by the Finance Committee, and approved by the Board of Managers.

VI.

At the first Meeting of the Board of Managers, next following the Annual General Meeting, a Committee of Finance shall be chosen consitsting of not less than three Ladies, whose duty shall consist in auditing the Superintendent's Monthly Accounts, and all claims against the Corporation, and having approved of the same, shall certify them for presentation and payment by the Treasurer.

VII.

At each Monthly Meeting of the Board, two Ladies shall be appointed to act as a Visiting Committee.

They shall meet frequently at the Asylum, superintend the instruction of the children, confer with the Matron, as to the best mode of promoting the interests of the Establishment, encourage good behaviour, neatness, industry, &c., in the children, and fulfil whatever duties may arise from existing circumstances, and report at the Meeting of the Board.

VIII.

That as many of the Ladies of the Board of Managers as can make it convenient, shall attend on Fridays as a School Committee, examine the progress made by the children in their reading, sewing, &c., and by encouragement and approbation, excite to emulation and improvement.

ADMISSION OF CHILDREN

IX.

Children of both sexes, having lost both parents, are eligible for admission, and the Superintendent and Matron are authorised to receive them at once into the Institution, on the production of a certificate of health from the Physician of the Asylum, subject always to the future decision of the Board of Managers.

X.

Persons applying for the admission of children must be provided (if possible) with the Christian and Surname of the parents of the children, the place and time of their deaths respectively, their occupations, and religious persuasion, and all other circumstantial details that may be of future service to the children, the whole to be entered at length in the Orphan's Register which shall contain the following heads, &c :—No., Name of Child, Age when admitted, Names, &c., of Parents, Religious Denomination of Parents, By whom recommended, Date of Admission, Date of Dismission, To whom Indentured, No. of Indenture, Profession and Residence, Religious Denomination. By whom recommended, Age when Indentured, Date of Expiry of Indenture, Remarks.

XI.

Every child admitted must remain in the Institution at least one year, before being indentured out.

XII.

No boy shall be apprenticed till he shall have attained the full age of twelve years, nor any girl till she shall have likewise attained the full age of fourteen years, and not then except the Ladies shall deem it for the child's advantage, according to the health, knowledge, inclinations, and circumstances of the child, it being perfectly understood that they alone shall exercise their judgment and discretion in granting or refus-

ing to bind out any child applied for, it being very desirable that children should not be bound to trades or employments, for which either their mental or physical qualifications may disqualify them.

XIII.

Worthy and respectable members of any Protestant Church may be recipients of the children of this Institution; the application must be in writing, accompanied by a certificate of fitness for the charge from a known Clergyman, and presented at a Monthly Meeting of the Corporation, when it may be discussed and determined. The said application to contain the name, residence, occupation, and religious persuasion of the applicant. See form annexed.

XIV.

In case of the decease of those under whose care the children are placed, or of treatment inconsistent with the obligations expressed in the Indentures, the Ladies expressly reserve to themselves the right of resuming their control over the children,—or of taking such measures for securing their rights as they may be advised.

XV.

THIS INDENTURE, made the day of in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and between the Ladies of the PROTESTANT ORPHAN ASYLUM, of the City of Montreal, Incorporated by Act of the Provincial Parliament of Canada, 7 Victoria, Chap. LII., of the one part, and

of the other part, WITNESSETH, that the said Corporation, (by and with the consent of the minor hereinafter named,) hath placed and bound
a minor child, aged years and months, as an apprentice to and with the said party of the second part, from the day of the date hereof, until the
day of which will be in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and , during all which time the said child shall faithfully serve the said party of the second part, and in all things demean self as a good and faithful apprentice ought to do. And the said party of the second part, in consideration of the labour and services to be received from the said child, doth hereby promise and undertake to feed and clothe the said child in a fit and proper manner, according to the respective station of the parties, to bring up the said child in the principles of the Protestant Religion, to instruct the said child in reading and writing, to teach and instruct, or otherwise cause to be taught and

instructed, the said child in the Art or Science of
after the best manner that . can, to pay to the said Corporation each year in advance, until the expiration of the present Indenture from the date hereof, the sum of twenty Shilling Currency, the first payment having been paid at the signing of these presents, to be by the said party of the first part, placed at interest for the benefit of the said child, and his or her use when the Indenture shall expire, and in default of payment of the said sum of twenty Shillings in advance, the said party of the second part shall pay interest on the same till paid, and also with said money transmit a statement in writing to the Secretary of the Corporation, of the condition and welfare of the said child and lastly at the expiration of the period of Apprenticeship or Service, provide the said child with a good and new suit of clothes, suitable to the condition of the said child ; provided always, and it is hereby expressly understood that in the event of the death of those under whose care the said child is hereby placed, or of treatment inconsistent with the obligations of this Indenture, the party of the first part reserve to themselves the right of resuming their control over the said minor, or taking such other measures for securing its rights as they may be advised.

And it is further stipulated and agreed, that, in case of such incompatibility of temper, or other cause sufficient to interrupt the cordial and mutual discharge of the relative duties between Master and Apprentice and such as to render a separation desirable, the party of the second part may surrender the child to the party of the first part, on payment of the sum of Five Pounds Currency, (this sum to be invested in such manner as the Directresses and Committee of Management shall direct), whereupon this Indenture will be null and void.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the said parties to these presents have respectively set their Hands and Seals, and the seal of the said Corporation, in duplicate, the day and year first above written.

SIGNED, SEALED AND DELIVERED IN THE PRESENCE OF

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XVI.

That, in the event of not receiving a communication, at least once in each year, from the child placed out, it shall be the duty of the Secretary to make enquiries concerning them by letter or otherwise. And that the child be permitted by his own master to write once in every year to the Directresses.

XVII.

That, in the event of a child absconding from his or her apprenticeship, it shall be the duty of the master to give immediate notice thereof to the Ladies, and thereupon it shall be the duty of the Superintendent at the cost of the Corporation to make diligent enquiry and search after such delinquent, in order that he or she be restored to his or her master, or otherwise disposed of, so as to prevent (if possible,) him or her becoming a vagrant, or outcast on Society, and be brought back to the paths of rectitude.

XVIII.

The amount annually paid to the Corporation for the apprentices, and funded for their benefit on interest, shall be forfeited by such apprentices as shall abscond before the expiration of his of her time.

And these forfeitures shall form a Fund, to be called the "Reward Fund," and be distributed among those apprentices who shall have faithfully fulfilled the terms of their Indentures.

XIX.

No period of apprenticeship shall exceed seven years, and at the expiration of that term, should the apprentice not have attained the legal age of majority, his master may retain his services till majority, on payment to the Corporation for the benefit of such apprentice, of a sum of money as wages, at the rate of not less than £5 per annum.

OF THE CARE OF THE CHILDREN.

XX.

All the children, if the weather permit, shall attend public worship with the Superintendent or Matron every Sabbath morning, and shall attend at Sunday School in the afternoon, and employ the intervals in a suitable manner.

XXI.

On week days, suitable hours shall be allowed for recreation, and *regular hours* for school. Family worship, and the daily reading of the Holy Scriptures, shall be duly attended to.

XXII.

The children shall be taught spelling, reading, writing, arithmetic, geography, grammar, needlework, and house work, according to the ages, capacities, and sex of the pupils. Medals of approbation shall be awarded to the diligent and truth telling, and well behaved.

A yearly examination of the School shall take place, and prizes distributed to the most deserving.

XXIII.

The Matron shall attend the children at their meals, see that proper decorum is observed, and grace before and after meat duly said.

XXIV.

The Matron will visit the children's rooms before retiring to rest to see that they are safe and confortable.

XXV.

The Superintendent and Matron shall not be absent by night at the same time, without the knowledge and approval of one of the Directresses.

XXVI.

The Superintendent, besides intructing the children, &c., shall keep a minute and correct Journal of the transactions of *each day*, recording the names of all visitors to the Institution, and generally every thing of interest to the Society.

XXVII.

Every visitor to be requested to record his name in the Visitor's Book, and to insert such remarks as they may deem right and fitting.

XXVIII.

In the hours of recreation, and weather and circumstances permitting, the Superintendent shall make the boys acquainted with the various trades and manufactories in and about the City, in order that their knowledge may be increased, and their tastes and minds developed, with a view to their subsequent adoption of one or other useful trade or occupation.

The foregoing twenty-eight articles were adopted as By-laws at the General Annual Meeting held this day.

SOPHIA MOFFATT,
2nd Directress.

ANNE McCORD,
Secretary.

Montreal, 15th January, 1852.

FORM OF APPLICATION FOR A CHILD,

From the Orphan Asylum, to be addressed to the secretary, and left at the asylum ten days previous to the montly meeting of the committee of management, which is held on the first monday of every month.

I——— (give name in full, profession or occupation, residence &c., and religious persuasion) am desirous of obtaining from the M. P. O. Asylum a (*boy or girl*) as an apprentice, subject to the clauses and conditions set forth in the 15th By-law of the Corporation.

CERTIFICATE REFERRED TO IN BY-LAW No. 13.

I, the Reverend———of——— (Incumbent, minister or pastor as the case may be), of the Church at———, do certify that I have known the above named———, for the space of ——— years, and that I believe (him or her) to be well fitted to take charge of an orphan child, and to fulfil the requirements of the 15th By-Law of the Corporation of the M. P. O. A.

ACT OF INCORPORATION.

An Act to Incorporate the Ladies of the Protestant Orphan Asylum of the City of Montreal.

[16*th November*, 1843.]

WHEREAS an Association has existed for several years, in the City of Montreal, in this Province, under the name of "The Ladies of the Protestant Orphan Asylum of the City of Montreal," for the purpose of providing for the relief, support, and education of destitute and friendless Orphans of the Protestant persuasion in the said City, and has maintained, instructed, and placed out as apprentices, a large number of such Orphans as aforesaid; And whereas the Association is composed of the several persons hereinafter mentioned, who have, by their petition, represented that the advantages arising from the said Association, would be greatly extended and confirmed by the legal Incorporation thereof, and have prayed that they and their successors may be incorporated under certain regulations and provisions hereinafter mentioned; Be it therefore enacted by the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council, and of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Canada, constituted and assembled by virthe of and under the authority of an Act of the Parliament of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, intituled, *An Act to re-unite the Provinces of Upper and Lower Canada and for the Government of Canada*, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same, that Susanna Holmes Wilkes, Elizabeth McGillivray Reid, Jane Davidson Ross, Ann Ross McCord, Mary McGillivray, Jane Moffatt, Isabella Geddes Sewell, Juliet Wadsworth Holmes, P. A. Wishart Macnider, Susanna Lyman Corse, Ann Jones Corse, Sarah Stilson Farquhar, Eliza Ross, Isabella Boston, Catherine Farquhar, Mary Corse Lyman, Margaret Barret, Agnes Mann Fisher, Henriette Platt Geddes, Agnes Armour Ramsay, Elisabeth Campbell Esson, Elizabeth Irvine Gunn, Charlotte Grace Leslie, and such other persons as shall, under the provisions of this Statute, become members of the said Institution shall be and are hereby declared to be a Body Politic and Corporate in deed and in name, by the name of "The Ladies of the Protestant Orphan Asylum of the City of Montreal," and by that name shall have perpetual succession and a Common Seal, and shall have power from time to time to alter, renew, or change such Common Seal at their plea-

sure, and shall by the same name, from time to time, and at all times hereafter be able and capable to purchase, acquire, hold, possess and enjoy, and to have, take and receive to them and their successors, to and for the uses and purposes of the said Corporation, any lands, tenements and hereditaments, and real or immoveable property and estate, situate, lying and being within this Province, not exceeding in yearly value the sum of one thousand pounds, currency, and the same to sell, alienate and dispose of, and to purchase others in their stead for the same purpose; and by the same name shall and may be able and capable in Law to sue and be sued, implead and be impleaded, answer and be answered unto in all Courts of Law and places whatsoever, in as large, ample, and beneficial a manner as any other Body Politic or Corporate, or as any persons able or capable in Law may or can sue and be sued, implead and be impleaded, answer and be answered unto, in any manner whatsoever, and shall have power and authority to make and establish such Rules, Order and Regulations not being contrary to this Statute, nor to the Laws in force in this Province, as shall be deemed useful or necessary for the interests of the said Corporation and for the management thereof, and for the admission of members into the said Corporation, and from time to time, to alter, repeal and change the said Rules, Orders, and Regulations or any of them, and shall and may do, execute and perform, all and singular other the matters and things relating to the said Corporation and the management thereof, which shall or may appertain thereto; subject nevertheless, to the rules, regulations, stipulations and provisions hereinafter prescribed.

II. And be it enacted, that an annual general meeting of the members of the said Corporation shall be held on the first Tuesday of the month of January in each and every year, (*altered to second Wednesday*, by 23 Vict: c. 143 see post) or if any such Tuesday be a holy day, or if the election be not for any cause then had, then on such day as shall be appointed in the manner hereinafter mentioned, for the annual election of Directresses and Managers, a Secretary and Treasurer of the said Associations, as to the said Corporation shall seem meet, by and through the majority of such members present at such general meeting, and for the transaction of all matters and things relating to the said Corporation for the year preceding the said first Tuesday of the said month of January, and for the adjustment and settlement of the transactions and business of the said Corporation for the said preceding year: Provided always, that the said Corporation, on a requisition signed by not less than five of the members thereof, shall, by a notice to be inserted for not less than seven days in one or more of the newspapers published in the City of Montreal, call a general meeting of the members of the said Corporation, specifying the hour, day, place and object of the said meeting; and the members

aforesaid or the majority thereof at such general meeting aforesaid, shall have power and authority to revise, alter or rescind any Rules, Orders and Regulations for the management of the Corporation, after notice of such repeal or alteration shall have been given at a general meeting next immediately preceeding that at which such application shall be made and considered, and to admit new members, and to fill up all va cancies which may occur among the said Directresses and Managers, Secretary and Treasurer aforesaid, and generally to do and perform all such matters and things as may be conducive to the well being of the said Corporation.

III. And be it enacted, that all and every the estate and property, real and personal, belonging to, or hereafter to be acquired by the said members of the said Association, as such, and all debts, claims and rights whatsoever due to them in that quality shall be and are hereby vested in the Corporation hereby established; and the Directresses, Managers, Secretary and Treasurer appointed or to be appointed before such annual general meeting shall be held, shall be and continue to be the Directresses, Managers, Secretary and Treasurer of the said Corporation, until others in their stead or the same shall be elected at such general annual meeting, in the manner herein provided; and the Rules, Orders and Regulations now made or to be made for the management of the said Association shall be and continue to be the Rules, Orders and Regulations of the said Corporation until altered or repealed in the manner herein provided; and the said Rules, Orders and Regulations shall be submitted to the members aforesaid for their approval and confirmation, at such general meeting aforesaid.

IV. And be it enacted, that the said Directresses and Managers for the time being, shall have power to appoint such officers and servants of the said Corporation, as shall be necessary for the well conducting of the business of the same, and to allow to them such compensation for their services, respectively, as shall be reasonable and proper, and the said Directresses and Managers shall be capable of exercising such other powers and authority for the well governing and ordering of the affairs of the said Corporation, as shall be prescribed by the Rules, Orders and Regulations of the said Corporation.

V. And be it enacted, that nothing herein contained shall have the effect, or be construed to have the effect, of rendering all or any of the said several persons hereinbefore mentioned, or all or any of the menbers of the said Corporation, or any person whatsoever, individually liable or accountable for or by reason of any debt, contract, or security for or by reason of the said Corporation, or for or on account, or in respect of any matter or thing whatsoever relating to the said Corporation.

VI. And be it enacted, that it shall not be necessary for the validity

of any Act performed by any married woman, as a member of the said Corporation, or to her becoming such, that she be thereunto specially authorized by her husband; any Law, usage or custom to the contrary notwithstanding.

VII. And be it enacted, that nothing herein contained, shall affect or be construed to affect in any manner or way the rights of Her Majesty, Her Heirs or Successors, or of any other person or persons, or of any Body Politic or Corporate, such only excepted, as hereinbefore mentioned and provided for.

VIII. And be it enacted, that this Act shall be deemed a public Act, and shall be publicly taken notice of as such by all Judges, Justices of the Peace, and other persons whatsoever, without being specially pleaded.

CAP. CXLIII.

An Act to amend the Act incorporating the Ladies of the Protestant Orphan Asylum of Montreal.

[*Assented to* 19*th May*, 1860.]

WHEREAS the Corporation of the Ladies of the Protestant Orphan Asylum of Montreal have, by their Petition to the Legislature, represented, that the day appointed by the Act incorporating the said Institution for the Annual General Meetings of the Corporation is inconvenient, and have therefore prayed that the said Act may be amended as hereinafter provided, and it is expedient to grant their prayer: Therefore, Her Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Assembly of Canada, enacts as follows:

I. The second section of the Act passed in the seventh year of Her Majesty's reign, chaptered fifty-two, and intituled: *An Act to incorporate the Ladies of the Protestant Orphan Asylum of the City of Montreal*, is hereby amended by substituting the second Wednesday in the month of January in each and every year, in lieu of the first Tuesday in the said month, as the day on which the Annual General Meeting of the Members of the said Corporation shall be held, if such second Wednesday be not a holiday,—and by substituting the words "second Wednesday" for the words "Tuesday" or "first Tuesday" wherever these words respectively occur in the said section.

II. This Act shall be deemed a Public Act.